

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION

JAMES NICE	)	CASE NO. 5:18 CV 01565
Plaintiff	)	JUDGE SARA LIOI
v.	)	
CITY OF AKRON, et al.	)	<b><u>FIRST JOINT STATUS REPORT</u></b>
Defendants	)	

Now come the Parties, by and through undersigned counsel, and submit the following Joint Status Report:

1. **DISCOVERY**

On November 15, 2018, Defendant, City of Akron served interrogatories and requests for production of documents on Plaintiff. On November 19, 2018 Plaintiff served interrogatories and requests for production of documents on each Defendant.

2. **SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS**

There have been no settlement discussions between the Parties.

3. **OUTSTANDING MOTIONS**

On November 30, 2018, Plaintiff filed a Motion for Leave of Court to File Amended Complaint.

4. **CASE DEVELOPMENTS**

There are no case developments that would give rise to a request to deviate from the Case Management Plan.

Respectfully submitted,

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